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For: MATERIAL SUPPLY STRIP, )  
SYSTEM, AND METHOD OF )  
APPLYING PIECES OF )  
MATERIAL TO OBJECTS )

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks responsive to the Office Action begin on page 3 of this paper.

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraph spanning lines 5 to 11 of page 14 of the application as follows:

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The supply strip 4 initially includes a backing 5 having a first surface 104 and a second surface 106. The first and second surfaces 104, 106 initially have labels 7, 6, respectively, removably adhered thereon. The labels 7, 6 are shown as being uniformly spaced along the backing 5 and being substantially uniform in shape and size. One of ordinary skill in the art would recognize, however, that the invention could be practiced with labels having many different configurations (e.g., different size, different shape, different labeling information).

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